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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

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Group Art Unit: 3748

Serial No.: Rule 1.53(b) Div.

Appln. of 09/564,647 filed May 3, 2000

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Examiner: John Vrablik

For: REFRIGERATING CYCLE OR COMPRESSOR

HAVING FOREIGN MATTER COLLECTOR

## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-identified Rule 1.53(b) divisional application, please amend the application as follows:

## IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 1, second paragraph to page 2 paragraph continued, replace with the following:

A conventional refrigerating cycle is described by referring to Fig. 11. In Fig. 11, reference numeral 101 shows a compressor.